



CASE 33529-US-PCT
(167-140)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

ART UNIT: 1614

HOLGER SELLNER

APPLICATION NO: 10/580,295

EXAMINER: Finn, Meghan R.

FILED: May 23, 2006

FOR: Delta-amino-gamma-hydroxy-omega-aryl-alkanoic Acid Amides and
Use as Renin Inhibitors

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 4, 2008, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-6 and 9-17, directed to compounds of formula I, for continued prosecution in this application.

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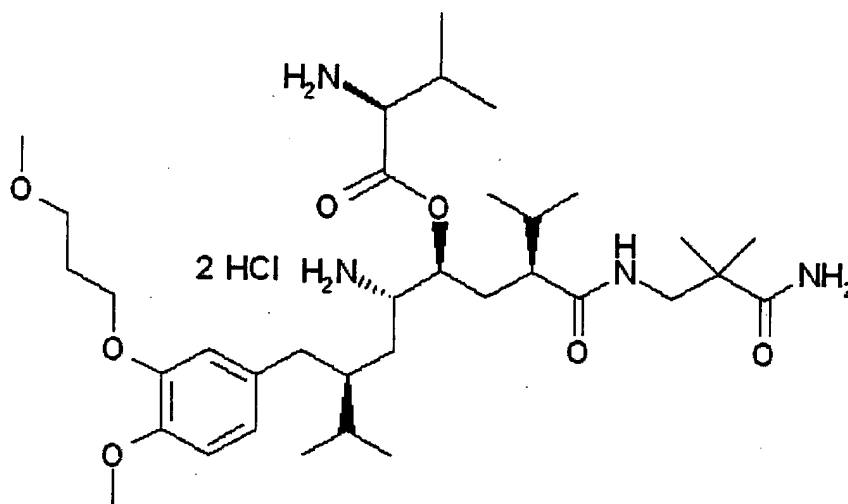
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In addition, as requested by the Examiner, Applicant elects a compound of Formula IB as depicted in claim 5 as a single disclosed species of compound for continued prosecution in this case. In response to the Examiner's request that all R groups and variables be specified and a drawing of the structure of the elected species be provided, Applicant specifies the elected species as:

(S)-2-Amino-3-methyl-butyrlic acid (1S,2S,4S)-2-amino-1-[(S)-2-(2-carbamoyl-2-methyl-propylcarbamoyl)-3-methyl-butyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3-methoxy-propoxy)-benzyl]-5-methyl-hexyl ester, having the following chemical structure:



Finally, since Group I has been elected by Applicant, the single disclosed species of agent listed in claim 10 for continued prosecution in this case is a diuretic or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to item (ix).

Early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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